

Minutes of the CCR-FYI Steering Committee Meeting

June 24, 2004, Thursday 12:00-1:00 pm

Bethesda: Building 37, Rm 4041, 301-435-7427 (phone: 301-402-9194)

Frederick: Building 549/Conf Rm B (700-848-1113) (phone: 301-46-5864)

1) The meeting was called to order.

2) In attendance were:

Bethesda- Val Bliskov, Sohrab Bodaghi, Derrick Cox, Kathleen Dohoney, Cem Elbi, Chava Kimchi-Sarfaty, Angeliki Magklara, Margaret Pratt, Andy Sherman, Kwang Suh, Jonathan Wiest.

Frederick- Maja Bumke, Kevin Chang, Ramalakshmi Darbha, Hariprakash Humcha, Nicole LaRonde-LeBlanc, Susan Lindtner, Melissa Maderia, Anne Welcker, Anil Shanker.

3) The Steering Committee Listserve was expected to be functional by July 9th. Presently 33 SC members have subscribed. Active members will be reminded again before listserv usage replaces individual address lists.

4) Cem Elbi once again reminded everyone to sign up for a “get acquainted” meeting with NCI Director Dr. Andrew C. von Eschenbach on July 13 at 9:30 am.

5) Anne Welcker proposed the setting up of a new subcommittee for “International affairs”.

6) Newsletter:

Kathleen and Lakshmi have initiated the revival of newsletter. A general request of articles would be sent out to all members to submit articles. Few articles are already available. One of the articles could be a condensed form of the survey results from this year’s CCR-FYI retreat. Besides the web-edition, a hard-copy form of the newsletter was also proposed.

7) A summary of the scientific survey has been presented by Melissa Maderia and Cem Elbi at the meetings for lab PIs. Some of the points highlighted were:

- a. 25% of the fellows felt that their PI was not a good mentor.
- b. Quite a few fellows attended events that include classes and seminars but not career development workshops.
- c. 55% of the fellows did not have any publications. On average, a publication was produced after 1 1/2 to 2 years at NCI. Next year’s survey will feature additional questions about publications anticipated or in preparation.

- 8) By-laws: Time for annual review of the by-laws. Sohrab will lead the by-laws review with some proposals like accepting new members outside of NCI.
- 9) Retreat: Kevin Chang would work with the retreat subcommittee. A teleconference was proposed between the Chairs and the past chairs to discuss about next year's retreat.
- 10) Happy hour: Kwang Suh and Cem Elbi agreed to be in-charge.
- 11) Kathleen announced a workshop by Fellows Editorial Board on July 1st.
- 12) Guide-Docs committee: Nicole LaRonde-LeBlanc will work with Anne Welcker for the subcommittee. Some of the ideas were shared by the members to publicize the Guide-docs program.
- 13) New member Anil Shanker would work with the Community Life subcommittee.
- 14) Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
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Ramalakshmi Darbha
CCR-FYI Secretaries
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